

Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:**Pages S4769–76****Additional Statements:****Pages S4761–63****Amendments Submitted:****Pages S4776–78****Authorities for Committees to Meet: Page S4778**

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today.
(Total—184) **Pages S4703, S4718**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:40 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, August 3, 2017. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4778.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Rostin Behnam, of New Jersey, Brian D. Quintenz, of Ohio, and Dawn DeBerry Stump, of Texas, each to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 660 nominations in the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 374, to enable concrete masonry products manufacturers to establish, finance, and carry out a coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets for concrete masonry products;

S. 754, to support meeting our Nation's growing cybersecurity workforce needs by expanding the cybersecurity education pipeline, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1322, to establish the American Fisheries Advisory Committee to assist in the awarding of fisheries research and development grants, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1425, to reauthorize the Integrated Coastal and Ocean Observation System Act of 2009, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1532, to disqualify from operating a commercial motor vehicle for life an individual who uses a commercial motor vehicle in committing a felony involving human trafficking;

S. 1536, to designate a human trafficking prevention coordinator and to expand the scope of activities authorized under the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's outreach and education program to include human trafficking prevention activities, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1586, to require the Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere to update periodically the environmental sensitivity index products of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for each coastal area of the Great Lakes, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1621, to require the Federal Communications Commission to establish a methodology for the collection by the Commission of information about commercial mobile service and commercial mobile data service; and

The nominations of Ajit Varadaraj Pai, of Kansas, Jessica Rosenworcel, of Connecticut, and Brendan Carr, of Virginia, each to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission, Peter B. Davidson, of Virginia, to be General Counsel, Karen Dunn Kelley, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, and Elizabeth Erin Walsh, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service, all of the Department of Commerce, Steven Gill Bradbury, of Virginia, to be General Counsel, Mark H. Buzby, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Maritime Administration, and Ronald L. Batory, of New Jersey, to be Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration, all of the Department of Transportation, and Robert L. Sumwalt III, of South Carolina, to be Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board.

WATER SECURITY AND DROUGHT PREPAREDNESS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power concluded a hearing to examine increasing water security and drought preparedness through infrastructure, management, and innovation, after receiving testimony from Thomas Buschatzke, Arizona Department of Water Resources, Phoenix; Heiner Markhoff, GE Power, Trevose, Pennsylvania; Carlos A. Riva, Poseidon Water, LLC, Boston, Massachusetts; Martha Sheils, University of Southern Maine New England Environmental Finance Center, Portland; and Shirlee Zane, Sonoma County Water Agency, Santa Rosa, California.

FBI HEADQUARTERS CONSOLIDATION PROJECT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Federal Bureau of Investigation headquarters consolidation

project, including issues related to funding other future projects, after receiving testimony from Michael Gelber, Acting Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, General Services Administration; Richard L. Haley II, Assistant Director, Facilities and Finance Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; and Dave Wise, Director, Physical Infrastructure, Government Accountability Office.

COLOMBIA PEACE PROCESS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Transnational Crime, Civilian Security, Democracy, Human Rights, and Global Women's Issues concluded a hearing to examine assessing the Colombia peace process, focusing on the way forward in United States-Colombia relations, after receiving testimony from William R. Brownfield, Assistant Secretary for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, and Francisco Palmieri, Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, both of the Department of State; Jose R. Cardenas, former Acting Assistant Administrator for Latin America and the Caribbean, United States Agency for International Development; and Juan Sebastian Gonzalez, The Cohen Group, Washington, D.C.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Doug Manchester, of California, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, Department of State, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

AUTHORIZATIONS FOR THE USE OF MILITARY FORCE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee received a closed briefing on the Authorizations for the Use of Military Force, focusing on Administration perspectives from Rex Tillerson, Secretary of State; and Jame Mattis, Secretary of Defense.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomina-

tions of Lance Allen Robertson, of Oklahoma, to be Assistant Secretary for Aging, and Brett Giroir, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary, and Robert P. Kadlec, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, both to be a Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, and Elinore F. McCance-Katz, of Rhode Island, to be Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use, all of the Department of Health and Human Services, Jerome M. Adams, of Indiana, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, and to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service, and Heather L. MacDougall, of Florida, and James J. Sullivan, Jr., of Pennsylvania, both to be a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 154, to amend the Small Business Act to ensure small businesses affected by the onset of transmissible diseases are eligible for disaster relief;

S. 650, to amend the Small Business Act to expand tax credit education and training for small businesses that engage in research and development;

S. 690, to extend the eligibility of redesignated areas as HUBZones from 3 years to 7 years;

S. 929, to improve the HUBZone program, S. 1038, to require the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to submit to Congress a report on the utilization of small businesses with respect to certain Federal contracts;

S. 1038, to require the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to submit to Congress a report on the utilization of small businesses with respect to certain Federal contracts, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 1428, to amend section 21 of the Small Business Act to require cyber certification for small business development center counselors.